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2016 ASCHERI • BAROLO SORANO

Rating 94

Release Price \$90

Drink date 2023 - 2040

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Matteo Ascheri favors short, hot fermentations, adding an immediate layer of power and intensity that you feel right off the bat, especially in a classic vintage such as this.

His 2016 Barolo Sorano (with 5,000 bottles made) definitely shows the darker color and thicker flavor concentration that comes with fruit grown in Serralunga d'Alba. The wine's bouquet is generous and rich with red rose petal, licorice, tar and smoky road asphalt. As is to be expected, the tannins are more prominent in the Barolo Sorano, with a pinch of tightness that needs a few extra years of bottle aging to soften. What really drives this wine forward is the quality and the contained intensity of the 2016 fruit. It's a classic for sure, although patience is required. This wine was released in April 2020.